

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/516,558
Response to Restriction Requirement and
Election of Species Requirement dated July 26, 2007
Reply to Office Action of June 29, 2007

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

As set forth on pages 2-6 of the Office Action, the Examiner is requesting that the applicant elect one of 25 groups for examination.

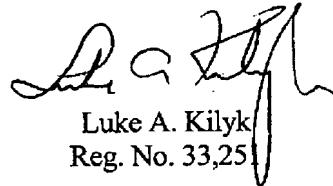
Additionally, as indicated on pages 8-20 of the Office Action, the Examiner requires that the applicant elect a single species by electing the species that corresponds to the group selected for the restriction requirement. The Examiner states that a species must be elected to be examined and identification of the claims encompassing the elected species must be made.

To be responsive, the applicants elect, without traverse, Group 2, directed to claims 4-10 and 17. The applicants elect as the species of Group 2, for A: SEQ ID NO: 3; and for B: SEQ ID NO: 19. Claims 4-10 and 17 read on the elected species. In the event that the Examiner does not believe this response to be fully responsive, the Examiner is respectfully asked to contact the undersigned via telephone.

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